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PRELIMINARY SITUATION REPORT NO 17

Four BRASS KNOB missions were flown [REDACTED], covering portions of Oriente, Matanzas, and Las Villas Provinces. Items of significance noted as of 0500 hours are as follows: 25X1D

1. HOLGUIN AIRFIELD

There is no evidence of any change in the status of the 9 BEAGLE fuselage crates on far oblique, poor quality photography.

2. MAYARI ARRIBA, MILITARY INSTALLATION

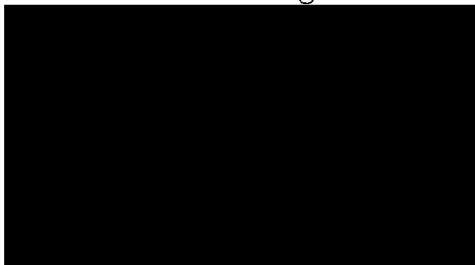
Unidentified canvas-covered objects noted in woods to the east of the installation. No significant change within the installation since aerial photography of [REDACTED] 25X1D

3. CAMILO CIENFUEGOS (SANTA CLARA) AIRFIELD

Twenty-nine aircraft are visible, as follows: 10 FISHBED, 2 probable FISHBED, 14 FAGOT, one HOUND, one CAB, and one liaison. Scattered clouds preclude a complete count of aircraft.

STATUS OF MISSION READOUT

The following is the status of the PI readout on missions flown [REDACTED] 25X1D



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2300 Hours  
18 November 1962

NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER

PRELIMINARY SITUATION REPORT NO 18

One BRASS KNOB mission, [REDACTED] It covered portions of Las Villas Province, including Caibarien, Remedios, Santa Clara, and Sagua La Grande. Items of significance noted are as follows:

25X1D

1. CAMILO CIENFUEGOS (SANTA CLARA) AIRFIELD

Thirty aircraft were observed at the airfield as follows: 17 FISHBED, 12 FAGOT/FRESCO, and one HOUND.

2. CAIBARIEN SAM SITE

Three of the 6 launchers have canvas-covered missiles. One launcher has an uncovered missile, possibly in an elevated position. The other 2 launchers are uncovered and do not appear to have missiles. The FRUIT SET radar is not canvas covered.

3. REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP

Two probable FROG rocket launchers, 6 probable FROG missile transporters, and 9 probable SNAPPER rocket launchers were observed. Other vehicles and equipment noted were 31 canvas-covered tanks, 7 SP guns, 3 dry-gap bridging sections, 192 trucks and/or vans, and 2 tank recovery vehicles.

4. CAIBARIEN PORT

There are no large vessels noted at Caibarien port, although 15 nautical miles to the northeast of Caibarien at Cayo Frances anchorage a large freighter appears to be loading or unloading cargo. No lighters can be observed, however, and no deck cargo is visible.

STATUS OF MISSION READOUT

The PI readout of [REDACTED] is completed and will be published as NPIC/R-1105/62.

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